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Bakers sign for AFLCIO vote

REPORT

To Our Reader - Owners

SHARK ATTACKS GOLDFISH

The dailies in Chicago, it seems, are attacking pornography with the courage and fury of a six-foot shark devouring a goldfish. At the same time, according to Irwin Klass in the Chicago Federation News, reports of a West Coast murder trial published in all of the Chicago dailies "are as tasteless as anything these papers condemn."

Klass takes occasion to remind the editors of these dailies of a paragraph in the code of ethics adopted by the American Society of Newspaper Editors:

"A newspaper cannot escape conviction of insincerity if, while professing high moral purpose, it supplies incentives to base conduct, such as are found in details of crime and vice."

Klass was kind enough not to add what we're sure he knows to be the truth—that the reason the dailies attack the pornography business is because, like the billboard business and the teevee business, which the dailies are pretty free in attacking, the pornography business is competitive to newspaper business pornography, one of the dailies' main lines of trade.

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THE FINCH AFFAIR

The West Coast murder trial to which the Chicago labor editor refers is, of course, the Finch affair.

Well, lately the present writer has had an encouraging thought about orgies of bad writing and bad taste such as the dailies wallow in when such cases arise in the courts.

The encouraging thought is this: Time was when executions were public affairs, and the people went by thousands to watch the last agonies of their fellow human being on the scaffold; yet by some mysterious change in attitude, this is no longer done. We grew up, let us say.

Isn't it possible that we'll grow up, or perhaps outgrow, the habit of making a public spectacle of these sensational trials?

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THEY'LL BE SHOVELING

When that time comes Count Marco of the Chronicle pornography staff, and that Kilgallen gal, and the rest of them, can get jobs shoveling one of the main ingredients of the growth of crops on a farm.

And Klass and the present writer will insist that they get \$1.25 an hour for it.

OFFICIAL NOTICES

Unions will find notices of important meetings called by their officers on page 5 of this issue of the Journal.

CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL RESUMES MEETS FEB. 29

The next meeting of the Central Labor Council will be held Monday, February 29.

No meeting was held last week, due to Washington's Birthday falling on the regular meeting date.

The Building Trades Council, which has had no interruption of its regular schedule, meets Tuesday, March 1.

Freeway clearance jobs are closely checked on by BTC

Problems that come up in demolition and house removal jobs when the path is being cleared for freeways were discussed at the last meeting of the Building Trades Council.

Nonunion workers have turned up on some of these jobs in the past.

Tony Schiano, Laborers 304, told the delegates that the State sells the buildings on such routes, and the buyer contracts out the work of removal or demolition.

Schiano said that he is watching for his union all jobs of this sort as they come up, and he believed that things will work out all right.

COUNCIL CONTRACTS

It was announced that council contracts have been signed by James E. Fuller, general contractor, and by the James A. Warren Construction Co.

LEGISLATIVE MEET

Credentials for attendance at the annual legislative conference of building trades workers in Washington in March are available at the BTC office, and anyone planning to attend should pick them up at once, said BTC Business Representative J. L. Childers.

PROPOSED HOSPITAL

Childers reported that a conference had been held with Dr. Getzel, who is interested in establishing a new hospital, and is asking labor's cooperation; the proposition has been turned over to Attorney Paul Paduck for study, and a full report will be made later to the council.

Hall of Fame for labor is proposed

The AFLCIO Community Services Committee has recommended to the united labor movement's top council "that the possibility of establishing a Labor Hall of Fame or National Labor Museum be explored," since at present there "is no single place where the history of this movement and the stories of the men and women who built it can be found by the interested citizen," or by scholars, students, and union members.

CLC bid to Local 119 to rejoin is well received

Representatives of the American Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union and the bakers rank and file committee have informed the Central Labor Council that they have secured more than enough authorization signatures to petition the NLRB for an election. The petitions were filed for Langendorf, Interstate, Continental, Hagstrom's, Safeway, Kilpatrick's and Homecraft on February 23 and for Athens Bakery, February 19.

The Labor Councils invitation to bakery workers to rejoin the AFL-CIO and leave the expelled B&C was well received according to the AFLCIO staff assigned to this campaign against the B&C.

This demonstration by the bakery workers to rid themselves of an Expelled, Discredited International Union and again affiliate with the AFLCIO and the CLC through the ABC is gratifying. It proves again that the Labor Movement in the Bay Area is outstanding in unity, principle, action, service and its determination to remain clean.

Congratulations to the bakery workers for their show of good honest trade unionism. The effort shown in this campaign by the entire affiliated labor movement is an indication that the working people in the Bay Area, through the efforts of the CLC and AFLCIO are due for outstanding gains in both wages and conditions. This spirit of unionism can not be denied.

Bakery Workers! The combined efforts of the Labor Movement in the Bay Area can help you if you become a part of it. Don't remain independent and let the employer use this against you. **Become United—Become Strong. Join the ABC—AFLCIO.**

Improvement panel first meet Monday Lithograph label is not acceptable

The first meeting of the Oakland Citizens Committee on Long Range Capital Improvements will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, February 29, at the Garden Center in Lakeside Park, 666 Bellevue Avenue.

Labor will be represented on the committee. Mayor Clifford E. Rishell said in his letter to Central Labor Council Executive Secretary Robert S. Ash:

"To make an intelligent study of civic needs in these days of high taxes, serious consideration must be given the relationship between proposed improvements and the city's ability to pay."

"I am confident that your organization will want to take part in initiating and planning a program which can build Oakland to its greatest potential."

A memorandum on the proposed purposes of the committee states that "any campaign program which may result from committee recommendations will be the responsibility of others."

400,000 Americans died fighting that Swastika!

The S. F. Youth Association has proposed that the following be told all young people: "The Swastika stands for the death of about 400,000 Americans in the last world war."

Joseph Lewis, secretary-treasurer of the AFLCIO Union Label and Service Trades Department, has written to the Central Labor Council asking that all unions be reminded that the Lithographers Union seceded from the AFLCIO in 1958.

The Lithographers Union, says Lewis, "is currently advertising its union label as being endorsed and supported by some organizations affiliated with the AFLCIO."

Lewis asks that it be remembered that the AFLCIO Union Label Department "does not support or endorse the union label of the Amalgamated Lithographers . . . All printed matter purchased by union people should bear the Allied Printing Trades Council label or the union labels of the affiliated AFLCIO printing trades unions."

Negro musicians joining Local 6

Members of Musicians Local 669, predominantly Negro, will become members of Local 6, white, on April 1, it was announced at a joint press conference of the two locals last week.

Two members of Local 669 will have paid positions in Local 6.

Regional AFLCIO in statement on victory for ABC

"The last remaining unit of B&C in the City and County of San Francisco gets on the bandwagon of ABC, AFLCIO," said a statement issued by the office of Daniel W. Flanagan, AFLCIO Regional Director.

"The California Wafer Company of San Francisco, which employs from 50 to 75 workers in its operation, has been under contract with B&C Local 125 of Oakland for a number of years. These workers have been dissatisfied with the lack of good benefits in their contract and feel that one big reason for that condition is because B&C Local 125 is no longer affiliated with the AFLCIO and the Central Labor Council.

These workers felt that being members of a local that was affiliated with the Jim Cross controlled B&C international union, that has been kicked out of the AFLCIO and the Central Labor Council, was not going to help them in obtaining from their employer the wage increases and other benefits that they felt they were entitled to.

"Last October, these employees of the California Wafer Company made contact with ABC in San Francisco and requested help in bringing their group back to the AFLCIO and to the Central Labor Council.

"Secretary Austin Tully of Local 158, ABC, responded to their appeal and with the cooperation of the regional office of the AFLCIO in San Francisco, went to work on the project.

"After many meetings with the workers and with the NLRB a representation election by secret ballot was held on the premises of the company, under the supervision of the Federal government. The voting took place on Tuesday, February 16, 1960, with the following results: 42 to nothing for the ABC-AFLCIO.

"This vote result, by secret ballot, under government supervision, shows once again that whenever the workers are given the opportunity to decide between affiliation with ABC of the AFLCIO and B&C, independent, which is controlled by Jim Cross, opposed by the clean labor movement of the United States, the workers, by overwhelming vote, will decide in favor of ABC of the AFLCIO."

Four unions' delegates obligated at CLC meet

Delegates obligated February 15 by John Ferro as temporary chairman of the Central Labor Council were: Frank Mendez, William Zarevich, Metal Polishers 128; Jack Durie, Bill Posters 44; Vincent Burda, Louis R. Tripodi, Barbers 134; Albert Bascou, Naval Firefighters.

HOW TO BUY

Discounts on compact cars

By SIDNEY MARGOLIUS

Labor Consumer Advisor for Labor Journal

Things are looking up a bit for moderate-income families. Living costs have been stabilized this winter by cheaper food, although farmers are taking a beating on crop prices. There's even a slight crack in the tight-money situation, hinting that mortgages and other lending money may be a shade easier later this year. The U. S. Agriculture Department has decided to keep Federal grading of lamb after reversing its decision four times. Heavy production is spurring price cutting on the new compact cars. Used-car prices also have dropped.

March anniversary sales sponsored by some department stores offer special reductions on a variety of goods. But in general, clothing and home furnishings are priced high just before Easter. This is sale month for automatic clothes dryers; look for specials.

In food this month, eggs and pork are in heavy supply. Eggs especially are cheap; at this writing have dropped 16 cents since the beginning of the year. Broilers are another buy. Some cuts of beef have dropped in price. Many canned vegetables are scarcer and costlier this year. Canned corn, stringbeans and cranberries are among the few bargains. Also look for cut-price specials on frozen spinach, brussels sprouts and orange-juice concentrate. Coffee has tumbled to the extent regular grinds are about as cheap per cup now as the soluble (instant) type.

First sign of a crack in money rates comes just as mortgage interest has reached a national average of 6.10 percent—highest in our generation. In the West the rate now is 7 percent. In several states mortgage rates actually have bounced up against state usury laws limiting interest to 6 percent. In some of these states, the true rate has been

increased by such special charges as "discounts". You or the builder sign a mortgage for \$10,000, but get say, only \$9600.

The current easing of wholesale interest rates gives you a bargaining point in shopping for a mortgage. Money isn't quite as tight as lenders would like you to believe.

Discounts on the new compact cars are more widely available. The Ford Falcon has proved to be one of the most popular. It's giving the little-larger Rambler a run for sales leadership among compacts.

Valiant, made by Plymouth, also has won favor for its good roadability, more interior room and greater power than Falcon or Chevrolet's Corvair. Despite some cheap details of interior equipment and upholstery, Valiant looks like a good choice for a family car which has to serve both around town and on the road, and travel hills as well as flat country. But its greater weight and horsepower also mean it won't give as good gas mileage as the Falcon.

Too, Valiant costs a little more. Nor are discounts as widely available since production of Valiants has been slow. Right now you have to pay almost as much for a Valiant as for Plymouth itself, since Plymouths are being discontinued.

Discounts are biggest on Corvair, the most radical departure of the new cars and the one so far finding it hardest to get wide acceptance.

Switch house

After a hectic tour through his neighbor's new home, Lem commented, "Looks like everything in this house is controlled by switches—except the children."

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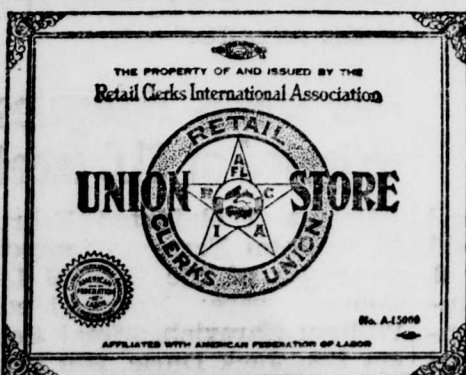
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To the Ladies: FROM the EDITOR

'STUTTERING' is the title of a book by Dr. Dominick Barbara, a psychiatrist who specializes in problems of speech and of communicating with others in general. He himself started out as a stutterer, is cured of it, and is now trying to cure others, not only of stuttering, but of any difficulty in communicating ideas.

His advice to women who have difficulty in getting a message across to Mr. Husband is that most speech defects, including the inability to hold a listener's attention, are the result of a desire to impress others, "not as you are, but as you feel you should be."

A WIFE'S IDEAS, he says, may be good in themselves, but if they are stated with an air of dogmatism and feminine superiority, they are likely to meet with masculine indifference and hostility.

"If a woman talks to her husband as a human being," says Dr. Barbara, "in a warm, sympathetic manner, he will be relaxed and able to listen to what she wants to tell him."

A WORKER asking for a raise of pay, says this psychiatrist, often feels that the situation calls for an appearance of confidence. But if the individual does not really feel confidence, but forces himself to act that way, he is likely to become flustered and fail.

Stuttering, in other words, isn't the only obstacle to clear communication of ideas. Trying to buck up and manifest confidence you don't feel, you're in danger of talking too rapidly, without a single stutter, and speaking ineffectual nonsense.

How about a cup of bunn?

But for a twist of fate, we might today be calling for a cup of bunn instead of a cup of coffee! That is what the coffee tree is called in Abyssinia, its original home. To this day, Abyssinians call the beverage by that name. How, then, did we arrive at the word we use today—coffee?

Historians say that it comes from qahwah, the Arabian word for coffee, and its derivative, the Turkish kahveh. Both, when spoken, sound like coffee. Furthermore, say the historians, from these same two words are descended the names for coffee in almost every country in the world. The French and Spanish cafe, the Italian caffe, the German kafee, the Finnish kahvi, the Dutch koffie, the Greek kafeo, and many more—all phonetic approximations of the original Arabic or Turkish word.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

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Soda useful to fight fire

Fat flare-ups in the skillet or broiler are responsible for four per cent of the damaging fires in the country. This number could be greatly reduced if home owners would heed the words of fire prevention authorities and take the following precautions in their kitchens:

Never leave fat foods cooking unattended.

Always keep the range spotlessly clean, for a fat-splattered range is feed for flames.

If the kitchen is not equipped with a commercial fire extinguisher or if the one you have a specified time and is therefore useless, everyone in the family should be familiar with the use of baking soda as a fire fighter.

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Women in This World

By EDITH McCONN

IF YOU are a "clothes-conscious" woman, yet have never made the list of the "ten best-dressed women," or even aspired to it, at times, you have half-way hoped that maybe your daughter might grow up to get her name on that exclusive list.

As every woman knows, it costs a good deal of money even to be "clothes-conscious" in a modest way. To be "well-dressed" costs heaps, as we all know. What many of us do not know, however, how much it costs to have a "well-dressed" baby.

The people who set styles and sell clothes know very well the desire of every mother to have the "best" for her baby. Therefore they have not neglected to present a line of very expensive attire for the toddler set.

For instance, you can pay as much as eleven hundred dollars for a christening dress.

For the 2 to 4 set, there are items hand-embroidered in Italy or France, imported tweeds, resort wear, dresses of the same material as mother's so that the little girl's outfit will complement her mother's.

But everything very simple, of course. Frills, and fussiness, pink ribbons, fur, are "bad taste," everything "simple" but obviously very expensive.

One furrier with a sense of humor, however, makes fur-lined carriage robes for the tiny ones, as he says, "chinchilla-lined for the rich rich babies and Persian-lamb-lined for poor rich babies."

One manufacturer goes so far as to say that he believes that a lot of psychological trouble comes from putting little girls into any old thing.

"If a little girl doesn't look smart, she doesn't feel smart," he says "She doesn't develop emotional security."

Fortunately, out here in the west, these problems don't touch most of us. Our children, male and female, grow up in jeans and sweaters; They can romp and play in them, get them dirty, tear them, develop strong little bodies, and, we hope, strong little minds.

It is true some children, a very few, grow up to be neurotic, but we doubt if it was because they played in blue-jeans when they were four, instead of in imported tweeds.

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Election notice in Labor Journal conforms with law

Unions subscribing to East Bay Labor Journal for all their members meet the 15-day election notice requirement under the new Labor Act by publishing such election notice in East Bay Labor Journal. That is what in effect is stated by the following letter to the International Labor Press Association, the organization of AFLCIO editors, from Harold C. Nystrom, acting Solicitor of Labor for the U. S. Department of Labor:

This is in reply to your letter of January 20 inquiring whether a proposed method of giving notice of election would be adequate to meet the 15-day notice requirement in Section 401(e) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.

As stated in your letter, the notice would be printed in a "labor newspaper which is sent to the home address of every member of a local union". Your letter states further:

"... These addresses would be kept current by an arrangement through which the Post Office Department notifies the newspaper of any changes in address. In this way such a mailing list would be more accurate than would otherwise be the case because of the constant revisions made on the advice of the postal service."

Such a notice would be carried conspicuously in a size and style of type which would be easy to see and easy to read and if not carried on the first page of the newspaper, a conspicuous notice would be carried on the front page directing attention to the presence of such a notice on an inside page, giving the page number on which the official notice appears."

In our opinion the method of giving notice described above would be adequate to meet the requirements of Section 401(e).

Nearly 1000 per month retire on UAW pensions

DETROIT — The Auto Workers, marking a decade since the pension breakthrough in Ford negotiations, reported that 115,200 members had retired on company-paid pensions averaging \$60 a month.

Of the retirees in the auto, agricultural implement, aircraft and feeder plant industries, a total of 94,600 are still living. The monthly rate of retirement is almost 1,000, the UAW said. — AFLCIO News.

Major contract settled by Glass Blowers Union

BAL HARBOUR, Fla. — The Glass Bottle Blowers and the Glass Container Manufacturers Institute have agreed to a two-year contract calling for a 6.5-to-13.5-cents an hour wage increase the first year and a 7-to-10-cent range in the second.

The new agreement covers 8,000 union members employed in the "forming department" of the nation's major glass container plants. — AFLCIO News.

Leader of Theatrical union in East passes

CLEVELAND, O. — John B. Fitzgerald, 70, an international representative for the Theatrical State Employees since 1942, died recently of a heart ailment.

A member of Cleveland Stage Employees' Local 27 since 1912, he became the local's business agent three years later and had been its president since 1929. He also was president of Cleveland Studio Mechanics' Local 209. — AFLCIO News.

Women Demos of 15th AD will visit Legislature on March 15 bus journey

The Women Democrats, 15th A.D. are sponsoring a chartered bus trip to Sacramento to visit the legislature on Tuesday, March 15th. All Democratic groups in Alameda County are invited to participate.

You may make your reservations through the Chairman, Mrs. Grace Bryson, 4636 Tulip Avenue, Oakland 19, California. The telephone number is ANdover 1-9891, before March 1st which is the dead line.

The cost of the trip will be \$4.50 per person, which includes bus fare and a luncheon. Men, too, are invited.

The bus will leave the Democratic Headquarters, 2105 MacArthur Blvd. at 8:30 a.m., and will stop at the 7th Congressional Headquarters, 1853 Ashby Avenue.

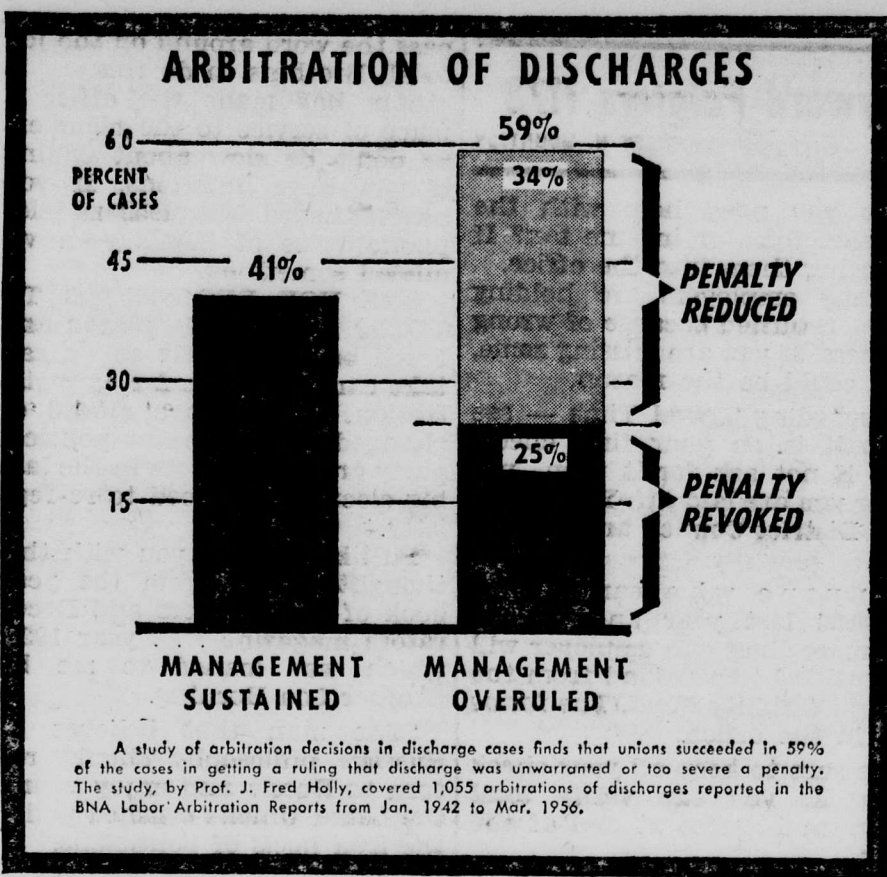
Departure time from Sacramento is 4:30 p.m.

Christian Science talk at 4th Church of Christ

How sickness and other disorders are healed by prayer based on spiritual understanding of God will be the topic of a Christian Science lecture to be given in Oakland next Monday evening by Jules Cern of New York City.

Open to the public without charge, the lecture will be sponsored by the members of Fourth Church of Christ, Scientist, Mr. Cern will speak in the church edifice, 1330 Lakeshore Avenue, at 8 p.m. His subject will be: "Christian Science: The Divine Solution to Every Human Problem."

Look for the union shop card, ask for a union clerk to serve you, and demand the union label!



Federation calls registration meet

C. J. Haggerty, secretary-treasurer of the California Labor Council on Political Education, has issued a special call to all central labor, building trades and state councils to attend a voter registration conference in San Francisco, February 26.

The one-day registration conference will take place at the Building Service Center, 240 Golden Gate Avenue, in San Francisco.

Registration for the June 7 primary closes April 14. Anyone who failed to vote in both the primary and general elections in 1958, who has moved, or changed names, must re-register.

Plan to seek biggest boost for lowest paid praised by many papers

The decision of our millinery organization to seek a raise for the lowest-paid workers and forego increases for those in the higher brackets won widespread praise in the press and from prominent individuals across the nation.

The first public notice of the unusual demands came in a front page story in The New York Times, by-lined by A. H. Raskin. This story was published when tentative agreement had been reached on raises for the lower-paid. It emphasized the benefits of the pact to Puerto Rican members and the part the contract could play in defeating racketeer attempts to exploit these workers.

Meany replies to claim that unions cause inflation

The attack on unions and collective bargaining under the guise of "fighting inflation" is basically a fight "against economic expansion and full employment," AFLCIO President George Meany has declared. He levels the charge in an article in The Annals, the publication of the American Academy of Political and Social Science. His article is part of an issue devoted to the subject of inflation.

The nationwide campaign on inflation, Mr. Meany writes, "has distorted reality" and "has submerged the crucial problems facing the nation" — national defense, public service needs of a growing population, economic aid for the uncommitted nations and adjustment to automation and technological change.

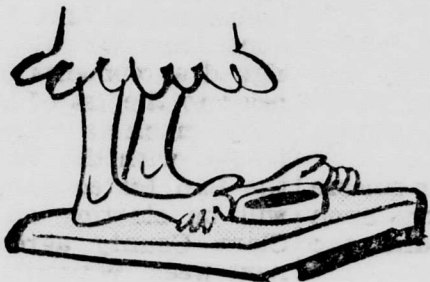
The phony inflation campaign is thoroughly exposed, Mr. Meany says, in the nature of the attack on unions and bargaining.

"Americans have been told incessantly," the president of the AFLCIO writes, "that wage increases are an inflationary evil, since they are supposed to have resulted in both excessive consumer demand for goods and great increases in costs per unit of production."

The facts are, he points out, that "there was no excessive consumer demand" from mid-1955 to mid-1958 when prices were creeping up.

"There was no general shortage of goods. Instead there was weakness in consumer markets during most of that time and there was a growing gap between the economy's ability to produce and its ability to consume." — American Federationist.

Every Child has the Answer to these Grown-up Problems!



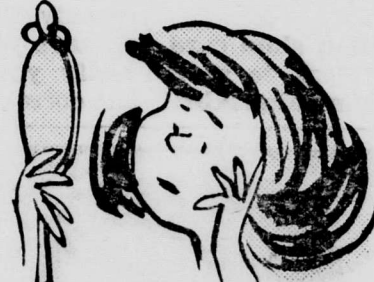
Lost your youthful figure?

On a diet? Add milk to your diet, and be happy while you're losing weight. Milk's high protein content satisfies your hunger and gives you energy. It's loaded with health-giving vitamins and minerals, too... but no fat-producing starches.



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The glow gone out of your complexion?

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Showdown on who's to blame still to come in schools

The real showdown is yet to come on this question of who is responsible for whatever ills public education might have. Against that day the oligarchy of administrative experts is getting ready. At the present time they are making what might be called "strategic withdrawals" all along the line. Policies no longer popular with the public ("Progressive Education," lax discipline) are being reversed or modified. Some of the experts who ten years ago were crying, "Subject matter isn't as important as life adjustment!" are now the loudest to call for a "return to the fundamentals."

At the same time, the administration experts are looking within the profession for someone with whom to share the blame. They would like to create the impression that educational policy is the joint responsibility of administrators and teachers. The best way to cultivate this impression is to let teachers have more "control" of their teacher-organizations.

This is where the professional associations come in. Watch for the local associations to "champion" more and more the cause of the classroom teacher—up to a certain point. Don't be surprised if in the next year or so proposals are made to divide the local associations into two distinct groups, one for teachers and one for administrators. There has already been a trend away from the term "teachers' association" in favor of "education association".

The real test of whether these associations have changed their basic philosophy will be evident in the position they take on major issues affecting the classroom teacher. If they make a real attempt to go to bat for the teachers—no matter what the administrative position is—the A. F. T. will be the first to applaud. Somehow we don't feel that millennium has quite yet arrived.—The Oakland Teacher.

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By WILEY H. MOUNTJOY

Do you need help with the Pension form or income tax? If so, bring them into the office.

Many employers are holding W-2s, returned because of wrong address. If you are missing some, this could be the reason.

Regarding Travel Time — see that it is on your first check, and if not ask for it then—not after you are laid off. Your Local and District Council are backing you.

Anyone who earned over \$3600.00 last year and worked for more than one employer will be entitled to a refund from the State Disability Fund. The forms are in the office.

Be sure to keep all your check stubs so you can verify total hours and wages at end of the year.

Happy to report Brother Jesse Mathews home from hospital again and doing fine. Also Brother Dudley Compton up and about.

Brother Dave Gross will have been through an ulcer operation by now. Good Luck, Dave.

Painters Local No. 127

By MARVIN EDWARDS

Brother Caponio informs me that there are quite a few members who have not sent in their completed Pension Information form.

The trustees are definitely going to establish a deadline for receipt of these forms and those of you who have not sent yours in should do so immediately.

These records are very important to each one of you in establishing credit for the 5-10 or x number of years the trustees will establish for past credit.

If you have not received a blank, or have misplaced yours, get another from the office as Sam has a supply on hand.

We have been told that some of the members don't receive the Labor Journal and if this is true in your case it means we do not have your proper address. To remedy this, call at the office, or have your wife phone in, and verify your address or give us the correct and current one. Also

pass the word around on the job to all Brothers to do this.

Sam has made the office a place of service to the members so don't be slow about calling if you have questions. If you haven't heard that pleasant telephone voice of Sam's you've missed something.

ARE YOU REGISTERED TO VOTE? Sam is a Registrar and I will be one shortly so we can take care of you as far as registration. If you have moved or changed your name or political party or failed to vote in the last big election you need to re-register.

I'd like to leave you with this thought quoted from the year book of the Painters and Decorators magazine . . . year 1926, which was loaned to me by Brother Lou Horning.

"The man that believes in Russian philosophy should return to Russia and enjoy seeing the Labor Unions crushed under the iron heels of politicians."

Typographical Auxiliary

By DOROTHY SPORKIN

Sorry, but apparently there was no space in this column at the last writing for our thanks to our charming hostesses May Marquand and Ann Hubbard of the February meeting at May's home.

The March meeting, Thursday 3rd, will be a no-host meeting and will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 3245 Sheffield Avenue. There will be nominations of officers.

Sunday, March 20th, is the date set for the 50th Charter Day Celebration of W. A. No. 26 to Oakland Typographical Union No. 36. Plans are being made for a gala time for all attending. There will be cocktails from 4-5, after which dinner will follow. Tickets can be purchased from the girls serving coffee and doughnuts at the union meeting on Sunday, February 28, or call our president Ermine Sullivan, LA 2-4342 for reservations. Do hurry for reservations are limited. At the party we will honor Mabel Paterson our only living charter member. Mabel is the widow of the late John Paterson and mother of Harold Paterson also of the trade.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Howard Stapleton and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Marquand who have recently become grandparents again.

We wish to extend our sincere sympathy to Agnes Harris upon the death of her husband, the late Walter Harris.

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Watchmakers Local 101

By GEORGE F. ALLEN

All the San Mateo agreements are signed and in the office with the exception of two, John Pecten and the San Mateo Jewelers. We have visited both these establishments and I am confident that we will have their signed agreements in the office prior to the 1st of March.

Inasmuch as we anticipate no trouble with the finishing up of the San Mateo agreements, we will be starting on the Santa Clara County agreements this next week. We anticipate meet-

ing with Mr. Jack Hale of the San Jose Employers Council, which represents a number of the stores in that area, for the purpose of discussing our new agreement. I believe we notified you before that we had sent notices to the Santa Clara employers informing them of our desire to change the agreement.

In accordance with the decision of the membership, we anticipate the signing of the same agreement in Santa Clara County as that now in effect with the rest of our employers.

The electric watch class in San Jose started on February 5 and will now be held every Friday at 7:30 p.m. in San Jose City College. For anyone desiring to take this course I would suggest that you get your name registered at the City College for the first vacancy that occurs in the class as well as for the next semester, inasmuch as there are only 15 students in the class at one time.

SAN JOSE MEETING NOTICE: Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 1, in the Labor Temple, 45 Santa Teresa Street, San Jose, at 8:00 p.m.

Steel Machinists I304

By DAVE ARCA

Chessman reprieved, is no doubt relieved. Though it wasn't through legal elocution. It was to spare embarrassment, to our traveling President, that our Governor stayed Chessman's execution.

What of doomed men who have died, with clemency appeals denied? It's a shame they had no fame to help their cause. It seems Notoriety, can compel Society, to discriminate in applying American Laws.

If you're interested, you'll probably get a chance to vote on whether or not to eliminate the death penalty in California, this November. If you're registered.

We have Registrars available. Just call OLYmpic 4-2660. Leave your name and address. A friendly Registrar will be sent to you.

If you know persons receiving Social Security, why not help them to receive medical assistance when they need it. Write your Congressman, and Senator, urging him to support the Forand Bill. Do it now. If you put it off, you won't write. You know you won't.

High school graduate is lost, says Cliff Fadiman

The average high-school graduate does not know who he is, or how he got there . . .

In accordance with his luck and his temperament he may become happily lost or unhappily lost. But lost he will become. Lost he will remain. Lost he will die.

And if we allow those lost ones to multiply indefinitely, they will see to it that our country will be lost also. — Clifton Fadiman.

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You are herewith officially notified that Lodge 1546 meets in regular session on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the hour of 8:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, Oakland 12, California.

Meeting hall will be posted on the bulletin board in the lobby of said Temple and you are herewith officially requested to be in attendance.

Fraternally,
A. J. HAYES,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CULINARY 823

All three meetings of this union will be held on the third Tuesday of the month, the first at 9:30 a.m., the second at 2:30 p.m., and the third at 8:00 p.m. at the union headquarters.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, March 15.

Fraternally,
ROY WOODS,
Secretary-Treasurer

STEAMFITTERS LOCAL 342

Please fill out the Pension Plan Enrollment and Past Service Claim forms, mailed to you recently, and return to our business office at once.

Fraternally yours,
JAMES MARTIN
Financial Secretary

SHEET METAL WORKERS 216

Death Assessment No. 439 is now due and payable. An old time member of Local No. 216, Brother Bert Trindle, No. 52288, passed away on January 1, 1960.

We have received word from Mrs. Hendrickson that Brother Fred Hendrickson has been very ill and blood donors are needed. Mr. Hendrickson was in Kaiser Hospital and we believe that donors can go directly to Kaiser Hospital to give the blood. Anyone that can donate is requested to contact our office, call TWinoaks 3-3010, for further information.

Fraternally,
LLOYD CHILD
Business Rep.

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The Business Agents' and Dispatchers' office is open Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez St., Oakland, room 232, phone TWinoaks 3-1120.

UC EMPLOYEES 371

For all you members who are interested. Your next regular meeting has been set ahead to Saturday, March fifth. It was agreed at the last regular meeting to nominate and elect a new vice president and to nominate and elect three trustees for terms of one, two and three years. So please remember the date and come out and vote for the man of your choice to fill this vacant office and trustees.

Also, on behalf of the officers and members, I take this opportunity to thank Brother Charley Hobbs for filling in for us as vice president at the last meeting. We also extend to you, Brother Hobbs, the very best luck and happiness in your retirement. Have fun, Charley, and come to the meetings whenever you can.

Fraternally,
A. ROBERTSON,
Secretary

AUTO & SHIP PAINTERS 1176

The next regular meeting will be held March 1 in Hall D of the Labor Temple, 2315 Valdez Street, at 8:00 p.m.

Fraternally,
LESLIE K. MOORE,
Business Representative

PAINT MAKERS 1101

The second reading of the proposed By-Laws will be at the Regular meeting of March 15, 1960, the third reading and vote will be at a Regular and SPECIAL meeting April 19, 1960.

Also on the agenda for the March 15th meeting will be Nominations and Elections for: one Delegate to the Central Labor Council and two Delegates to the Western Joint Council to be held in Seattle, Washington, May 22 through May 26, 1960.

Fraternally yours,
EDWARD MORGAN,
Secretary

HAYWARD PAINTERS 1178

Friday, March 4th is the date of our next regular meeting, and such other business as may come before it. The other business mentioned comes up at all meetings; does not require a Special meeting but does have to be acted upon immediately due to time limits. You should be there to keep posted on what is happening to organizations such as ours at this time.

From this office you will soon, on our letterhead receive some information regarding some clauses in the agreement with our employers. Please read it and act accordingly.

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT G. MILLER,
Recording Secretary

CO. SCHOOL EMPLOYEES 257

The next regular meeting will be held March 5th at 1918 Grove St., Oakland, at 2:00 p.m.

The executive board will meet at 10:30 a.m.

Fraternally,
VICTOR BARTELS,
Secretary

MILLMEN 550

There is a need for blood donors. Members wishing to donate blood will please call the Kaiser Hospital, Olympic 3-6121, ask for the Blood Lab, and make an appointment.

Fraternally,
E. H. OVENBERG,
Financial Secretary

COPE, 13TH A. D.

The 13th Assembly District COPE meets every second Wednesday at 696 B Street (upstairs), Hayward, at 8:30 p.m. Executive Board meets at 7:30 p.m. Please note time changes.

Dues for 1960 are now due and payable with a grace period allowed until April 1st.

Union members who are also affiliated with the Central Labor Council or the Building or Metal Trades Councils are invited to attend and join the 13th AD COPE. Wives are also urged to join. Dues are \$3.00 per year for members and 60¢ additional for spouse.

The need for workers during this election year is profound. Labor needs help in government more than ever before. Stand up and be counted now.

Fraternally,
JO EDWARDS,
Secretary-Treasurer
13th A. D. COPE

BUILDING SERVICE 18

Notice to all members of Building Service Employees Union, Local 18:

Nomination for four delegates will be held at the General Membership meeting to be held Friday, February 26, 1960. Election by secret ballot will be on March 15, 1960 at the office of the Union, 1628 Webster street, Oakland and the polls will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The four delegates elected will represent Local 18 at the following conferences and/or conventions held during 1960: Western Conference to be held May 1 in New York City; the International Convention which starts May 2nd in New York City; the California State Federation on August 15th in Sacramento and the California State Council of Building Service Unions in Fresno sometime in November.

These members nominated and elected must be members who have been in continuous good standing for at least three years and who can attend the above mentioned conventions.

There is also one trustee to be nominated and elected at the same time and place. Our constitution provides that for this office, nominations shall be submitted in writing, signed by at least 20 members who have been in continuous good standing in Local 18 for at least three years, and no verbal nominations for this office can be accepted. Interested members should read pages 10, 11, 12 and 13 of Local 18's Constitution.

Fraternally yours,
W. DOUGLAS GELDERT
Secretary-Bus.-Rep.

STEEL MACHINISTS 1304

Regular meeting Thursday, March 3rd, at 8:00 p.m. Executive Board meets at 6:30 p.m.

Fraternally yours,
DAVE ARCA,
Recording Secretary

HAYWARD CARPENTERS 1622

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held at the Labor Temple, 1050 Mattox Road each Friday at 8:00 p.m. One of these meetings will be special called to vote on amendments to the local's by-laws. Watch for the announcement and be sure to attend—important.

The Friday, March 4 meeting will also be a SPECIAL CALLED meeting to vote on amendments proposed to the bylaws of Local 1622. This is an important meeting, all members should attend.

Fraternally yours,
MARIUS WALDAL
Recording Secretary

UNITED STEELWORKERS 1798

Will meet Friday, February 26, 1960, 8:00 p.m. at 2315 Valdez St., Hall D, Oakland.

Fraternally yours,
DOROTHY McDAID,
Recording Secretary

CARPENTERS 36

Unless otherwise specified, regular meetings will be held each Friday at 8:00 p.m. at Carpenters Hall, 761 - 12th Street, Oakland, Calif.

Fraternally yours,
OSCAR N. ANDERSON,
Recording Secretary

Demos discover with joy GOP is against progress

The Democrats, with ill-concealed delight, have made a discovery. Last time around, they point out, the GOP election campaign slogan was "Peace, Prosperity and Progress." This year, their opponents chortle, it will merely be "Peace and Prosperity." In short, references to "Progress" have been dropped.

Ten generals per acre in Pentagon

The Army Navy Air Force Register has calculated that the Pentagon, with 6,000,000 square feet of space, contains 345 generals and admirals, or ten per acre.

The Register's statisticians also figured that there were in the Pentagon 3,608 lieutenant colonels and Navy commanders; 2,525 majors and lieutenant commanders; and 2,344 colonels and Navy captains; 970 privates, and 808 captains of the Army, Air Force and Marine Corps. — New York Times.

CWA members are 'blood brothers' to little boy

MIAMI, Fla. — Members of the Communications Workers here have become "blood brothers" to a two-year-old boy to insure a continuous donation of blood to keep him alive.

The youngster befriended by the members of CWA Local 3107 is little Paul G. David who suffers from hemophilia — a rare disease in which the blood does not coagulate normally. As a result, the child could bleed to death from the slightest injury unless he is given whole blood immediately. — AFLCIO News.

Humphrey tells what he has won as a candidate

Senator Humphrey, when asked at a Commonwealth Club session why he was a candidate for the Presidency said: "As a candidate, I at least have the opportunity to express what I believe should be the role of America."

Conservative says wage boosts not inflation's cause

The stock propaganda argument of recent years that high prices are due to unreasonable wage boosts, has taken a sharp jolt from the revelation of figures on the soaring cost of the national highway program.

These figures show that while costs of the program have risen more than 73 percent during the past five years, only 12 percent of the increase is due to higher costs of material and labor.

Land speculation and even fraud were described as responsible for much of the rise.

The information was further highlighted by the fact that it came from a highly conservative source—Senator Harry F. Byrd of Virginia, who has a long anti-union record.

Byrd, in a letter to Secretary of Commerce F. H. Mueller, pointed out that the original highway program was scheduled to cost \$23 billion, an estimate that was revised to \$27.6 billion in 1955 and is now estimated at \$39.9 billion.

"This is an increase of \$16.9 billion, or more than 73 percent in five years," Byrd wrote, "and state highway officials have testified that only about a fourth of the increase has been due to the 12 percent rise in costs of materials and labor. The rest has been due largely to changes in designs and expansion of the program."

At the same time Byrd pointed out that a great part of the increase in costs was due to land speculation involving the possibility of fraud. — Chicago Federation News.

"How do you start a Pension Program?"

That's a question that seems to stop any number of unions that would like to institute some sort of retirement program—but just don't know quite how to go about it.

To try and help, we've prepared a new booklet called "Planning an Employee Retirement Program."

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Sam Rayburn was born in Tennessee and picked cotton

After Sam Rayburn took his accustomed place in the Speaker's chair at the opening session of the House for the current session members of both parties gave him an ovation and vied in oratorical tributes to him. For this eloquent demonstration, there were three reasons:

First, it was his 78th birthday. Second, it marked his record-breaking 16th year as the presiding officer of the House and the start of his record-breaking 48th consecutive year as a member. Third, the deep respect and affection held by the solons for "Mr. Sam."

Congressman John W. McCormack (Mass.), the Democratic House Leader, led off by saying:

"Our country has been enriched by his services. You and I, and all who have had the honor of knowing him, are better persons because of our friendship and association with him."

Congressman Charles A. Halleck (Ind.), the House Republican Leader, and Congressman Joseph W. Martin (Rep., Mass.), former speaker, joined in the tributes, as did other House leaders.

The man who has won this high position and praise was born on a Tennessee farm, the eighth of 11 children, and moved with his family to a Texas farm where he helped pick cotton. He attended a one-room school, made up his mind to become Speaker of the House, and to prepare himself, worked his way through college and law school, taught school and served in the Texas Legislature until he came to Congress in 1913. — **LABOR.**



FINISH THE UNFINISHED BUSINESS before adjourning for the 1960 political campaign was the plea AFL-CIO President George Meany directed to the 86th Congress in his keynote address to AFL-CIO Legislative Conference. Behind him as he spoke was a huge banner spelling out the 12 points in labor's "Positive Program for America" presented to lawmakers.

Says hitting at Nixon won't win

Mr. Butler, the Democratic chairman, hinted in the papers that his party's 1960 campaign will be based upon "revealing the past activities of Richard Nixon." That will be very interesting for those with political minds and political memories, but it won't win an election.

This basic business of sticking to principle is the only way Democrats can count on liberal support. Democrats will be successful when they can get Dixiecrats to forget that they are Southerners and to remember that they are Americans. — **Joseph T. De Silva, in Voice of 770.**

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More craftsmen in the '60s needed

The skilled craftsman will be in greater demand than ever in the 1960's.

Millions of new jobs requiring high skills—particularly in the machine and metal trades—will open up in the decade to come, according to the U. S. Labor Department.

By 1970 there will be nearly 2,300,000 more jobs for journeymen of all kinds than the 2,700,000 recorded on the last official count in 1957. This is an increase of more than 25 percent.

Altogether in the decade of the sixties 13,500,000 new jobs of all kinds will be added to the nation's payrolls. These will be in addition to millions of job vacancies created by retirement, death and other reasons.

These predictions of Labor Department experts are based on a recent survey of job prospects over the next 10 years in 600 trades and occupations.

Results of the survey are contained in a newly issued 800-page Occupational Outlook Handbook prepared primarily for young people about to choose a career. — **The Machinist.**

'Hold off your lynching until an election year'

While efforts were being pressed to indict the lynchers of Mack Charles Parker, The Crusader, a weekly published for the Negro community of Monroe, North Carolina, offered its readers this pungent advice: "If you are going to be lynched, try like hell to hold the mob off until an election year."

Many frauds are exposed in stock selling business

Some hazards in buying stocks are illustrated by a few of the many announcements which constantly come from the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Among the recent cases in which the SEC "revoked" or "suspended" the registrations of stock brokers and dealers—thus barring them from the securities business—were the following:

Hildebrand & Co., and Atlas Securities, Inc., both of Los Angeles, were barred on such grounds as "wilfully violating the anti-fraud provisions of the Securities and Exchange Act," by selling stocks at prices above their real value, misrepresenting their value, and "rigging" the market to make it appear there was an active demand for the stocks.

Arkansas Securities Corp., Hot Springs, Ark., was barred on such charges as selling unregistered securities, and "fraud."

In another kind of case, the SEC announced that the Stratoray Oil Corp., was fined \$5,000 "upon conviction of violating registration and anti-fraud provisions of the Securities Act, and O. A. Roe was sentenced to five years imprisonment for violation of registration provision in sale of Stratoray stock."

Also that "Philip Meade, of Indianapolis, E. Bernie Shelton of Evansville, Ind., and W. Harold Hilbert of Mt. Carmel, Ill., were found guilty of violating the registration requirement in sale of stock of Farm and Home Agency, Inc." — **LABOR.**

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In 1924 the Demos ran a corporation man: Remember?

If anyone thinks Big Business can't control both national conventions, all they need to do is look back to 1924 when John W. Davis, a conservative corporation lawyer received the Democratic nomination for President.

Now that the Republican nomination has been cinched for Nixon, there will be a concentration on the Democratic convention.

Senator Hubert Humphrey (D) of Minnesota was the first to officially announce his candidacy on December 30. His is a liberal program of increasing the productivity of the nation, providing for justice, dignity and equal rights for every citizen, and finding a way to better international understanding, peace and disarmament.

Senator John Kennedy (D) of Massachusetts who announced January 2, said, "The presidency of the U. S. is the most powerful office in the free world. It is in the executive branch that the most crucial decisions must be made in the next four years."

Why should working people be interested in this pre-convention activity? In order to get a candidate nominated who will represent all the people instead of special interests we must get busy now. Labor cannot elect a good candidate unless we help to get one nominated. — **CWA 8412 Communicator, Denver.**

Blue collar men get more fringes

Blue collar workers, the nation's most highly unionized group, are overtaking or passing white collar workers in fringe benefits that were once almost entirely the prerogative of the latter, according to a survey of Industrial Relations News.

The survey covered 200 leading industrial and personnel relations officers representing a cross-section of U. S. business. In reporting the survey, Industrial Relations News termed the trend "significant because fringe benefits are often instituted to help white collarites gain status over factory workers. This helps them to identify with management, presumably reducing organizing sentiment among office workers."

Even in such areas as employee loans and tuition refunds, blue collar workers have almost caught up with the white collar group. In accident and health insurance, 91 percent of blue collar workers have benefits against 78 percent of white collar employees. — **IUD Bulletin.**

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Mosk says office holders get small time for thinking

"So involved do we become—and I speak of all public officials—with demands on our available hours that our jobs take on an assembly-line operation," said Attorney General Stanley Mosk recently.

"We find little opportunity for planning, thinking out the solutions to long range problems and conflicts. In this merry-go-round of duties and responsibilities there is a great need for perspective."

Ancient philosophers established truths which remain intact to this day.

"These philosophers had a mental serenity uninterrupted by the jangle of the telephone bell, floods of correspondence, interviews, personal and official, committee meetings, staff meetings, conferences and appointments on momentary problems which are of transcendent importance only to the individuals immediately involved," continued Mosk.

"It strikes me that the 15,000,000 people of this State should expect those they have selected to guide them to contribute something more than routine clerical chores. Most of us are reduced to what Cowper called 'indolent vacuity of thought' and Dr. Johnson the 'gloomy calm of idle vacancy.'"

Within the job there should be recesses for thinking, the Attorney General stated.

"I believe that public officials should withdraw into a periodic retreat of some kind at which time they might pause to read, to study, to think and reflect on their future course of policy and action. Not only should such a retreat be earth-bound but should be augmented by prayer for Divine Guidance. Our common morality under our common God should be the greatest protection for the collective good, whether we base it on religious precepts or on ethics."

Fresno Credit Union in good financial standing

Board of directors of credit union of Chemical Workers Local 97 declared a five percent dividend on 1959 savings, Secretary-Treasurer Jake Baten reported.

Baten said the dividend indicates the sound condition of the credit union and proves that it is the best place to save money. The five percent rate is higher than what is paid by any commercial bank or savings and loan association. — Valley Labor Citizen (Fresno).

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Law urged to stop 'rat' importation

President Elmer Brown of the International Typographical Union has sent a letter to officers of the union's 800 locals and to the chairmen of the more than 4,000 ITU chapels, urging them to "establish public relations and publicity committees . . . to seek the active support of all organized labor in every State, province, and community to enact laws prohibiting the importation of strikebreakers, such as Pennsylvania's statute," passed in 1937.

President Brown calls special attention to the lavish use of imported strikebreakers, or rats, as he calls them in conformity to printers' custom, in the long strike in Portland, Oregon.

Why not pass this copy of the East Bay Labor Journal to a friend of yours when you are finished reading it!

Wife who watched crime shows with her husband wakes, he threatens her

In San Diego a man and his wife watched six straight crime shows on television before retiring. Sometime later the wife awoke to find her husband standing over her with a pistol in his hand. He put the pistol to her hip and fired.

The wife said her husband was deranged. That's understandable, as anyone who has ever tried to watch that much televised mayhem can testify.

So far the Congressional hearing into the shady practices of TV networks and some of their employees have hardly touch on programming. They've concentrated on the more spectacular transgressions such as fixed quizzes.

This column thinks it's high time Congress took a penetrating look at the whole premise of sponsor-governed programming. — San Diego Labor Leader.

USF Labor School signup on March 1

Registration for the University of San Francisco Labor-Management School for the spring session will be held on first class night, March 1, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Courses are open to union members, management representatives, and others interested in the field of personnel or labor relations.

Among the eight courses given, two are sure to attract considerable attention: the one on "Labor and Business Groups in Politics" and the one on "The Landrum-Griffin Labor Law — Six Months Later."

WAREHOUSE LOCAL 6 at a session on civil rights recently discussed this question: "As a relatively small union, can ILWU continue to maintain its advanced position on issues, and is it worth the trouble?"

Backward Arkansas holds cushy posts

Arkansas, one of the most backward of the 50 United States, and also the state shrinking fastest in population, still outranks all other 49 states when it comes to power plays in Congress.

Arkansas, according to the Bureau of Census, lost over 8% of its total population during the eight-year period — 1950 census to July 1, 1958. It was one of the 10 smallest states in 1950, and significantly it has been ranked with the lowest 10 states in educational facilities by the National Education Association.

The Congressional Directory, however, indicates that Arkansas' eight members of Congress control six of the most powerful committees in Congress. — International Teamster.

Tell 'em you saw it in the East Bay Labor Journal!



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It's the Demos who have 'no place else to go'!

Labor people attending the tenth annual Governor's Industrial Safety Conference heard the Governor pause in his talk on the need for better protection of workers from accident hazards to discuss the water problem, and to say:

"This has not been a Democrat-Republican problem. It has been a sectional battle between the North and the South."

That is true. But it is also true that it is a Democrat-Labor problem!

Organized labor in this State has a historic policy of insisting that when money is spent by the Government, whether Federal or State, proper provision must be made to see to it that there is not involved in the transaction unjust enrichment of the corporation farm owners, and the big land speculators.

For defending in decent and civilized fashion this historic labor policy Neil Haggerty, secretary of our State AFLCIO, has been smeared in the official Democratic publication put out by the California Democratic State Central Committee.

Moreover, at the gathering in Fresno of the Democratic Clubs not only was labor's protest against blanket endorsement of the water plan until provisions were written in against unjust enrichment of the already rich—not only was this turned down, but our delegates to that gathering report that very strange remarks were made in the corridors by some leading Democrats.

The implication of those remarks was that the Democratic Party would be better off without labor support than with it.

Of course, we know what's in the minds of some fatheads and pinheads on the State Central Committee of the Democratic Party, and in the minds of those leaders who made such remarks at the Fresno gathering—if the word "minds" is relevant in this connection—it's the idea that "labor has no place else to go."

That is sheer foolishness so far as this water bonds issue is concerned: if our stress on the importance of avoiding unjust enrichment of the already rich is treated with contempt, and nothing done about it, we've certainly got another place to go—we can go to the polls and vote NO on the water bonds.

In considering what should be the larger strategy of the Democratic Party in this State, too, it is again sheer foolishness for these betrayers of the party's interests to assume we "have no place else to go."

Have these Democratic blunderbrains watched the moves that Senator Kuchel, Republican, is making to win the labor vote in his campaign for reelection to the U. S. Senate? Or are they so busy smearing Neil Haggerty and making sneering remarks about the whole labor movement that they don't have time to observe such little matters?

Our own suggestion is that the Democratic leaders in this State have "no place else to go" but to go back to work organizing for victory in 1960, the year that the water issue and reapportionment and many other mighty important issues are going to be decided.

The Democratic Party used to be accused of having a "braintrust." Let's trust that a few of its brains will get back to work.

Peoples World vs. NAACP

The Peoples World, that champion of home and mother and Moscow, says, referring to AFLCIO President Meany's protest against Congressman Clayton Powell possibly becoming chairman of the House Labor Committee, that "the most shocking aspect of Meany's criticism was the assertion that Powell "is using his position to stir up racial hatred without the slightest provocation."

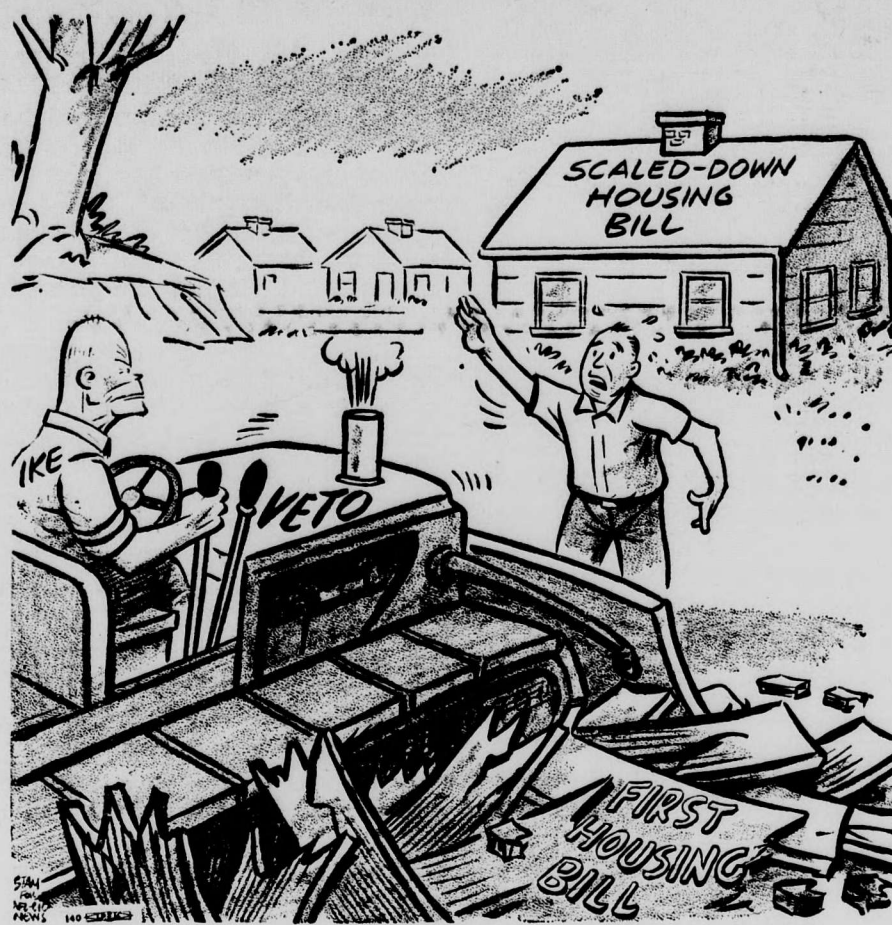
Which brings to mind the fact that the NAACP, following an address made by Powell at the observance of the fourth anniversary of the Supreme Court integration decision, issued the following statement:

"We deplore and dissociate ourselves from the banner of extreme racialism raised by Mr. Powell in his address."

Incidentally, Powell has hired for his trial this month on income tax evasion charges a very able attorney, Edward Bennett Williams, who has served as counsel for the late Senator Joe McCarthy, Teamster President Jimmy Hoffa, and Frank Costello the underworld chieftain.

THE MANN ACT, also called the White Slave Act, passed in 1910, forbids, under heavy penalties, the transportation of women from one State to another for immoral purposes. Elmer Brown, president of the International Typographical Union, in asking for laws forbidding importation of scabs, as in Portland right now, in effect asks for a Mann Act amendment.

'Oh, No, Not Again'



THIS MAN KNOWS WHY FORAND BILL NEEDED!

Philip Ickler, 4201 East 16th Street, Oakland, who informs us that he has been a member of organized labor for 58 years, having joined the Painters Union in 1902, sends in the following plea for the Forand bill:

There is a Health and Hospital bill, now before the United States Congress in Washington, D. C., the Forand bill, which is very badly needed right now. We have many health and hospital insurance companies here in the United States of America, but they are raising their prices most every year. We have 16 million elderly people on the Social Security Old Age Pension, and they cannot afford these high premium prices.

About six years ago I joined a health and hospital insurance company, at that time I had to pay \$3.00 a month premium, with my wife included. This company raised their price every two years. The last three years, I had to pay \$7.00 for me alone, because my wife had died in 1954. Now last year, 1959, on July first they raised my premium price to \$9.00 a month. I am 75 years of age with very little income, but I can not drop this health and hospital insurance now, because no other health and hospital insurance would take me, because I am to old already. Then I would be without any protection in case of sickness.

Now there are millions of working people who are in the same predicament. We have 16 million elderly people on the Social Security old age pension; they can not afford such high prices for health and hospital insurance, so they have to drop out, then they would not have protection at all; then many of them have to go on county or State relief, which is not very nice. We have about six million union members, who are on Social Security old age pension, and they can not afford such high prices for the health and hospital insurance.

I had the privilege to be the first member of organized labor who introduced a Government health and hospital resolution, at the national convention of the Painters and Decorators at Buffalo, N. Y. My resolution was discussed and was then unanimously adopted, September 1937 at Buffalo, N. Y. This same resolution was also unanimously adopted at the national convention of the American Federation of Labor in October, also in 1937.

Then the Honorable Mr. Dingell, member of the House of Representatives introduced a health bill in the House of Representatives, in 1938, at the same time the Honorable United States

Senator Mr. Wagner from New York introduced this same health bill in the United States Senate, also in 1938. This health bill was before the United States Congress in 1938 and 1939, after debating this health bill at both sessions of Congress. This health bill was postponed for later years.

Now, this was over twenty years ago and a few times it came before the United States Congress, but it always was postponed. Now this health and hospital bill, the Forand bill is now before the United States Congress. I sincerely appeal to all our 12 millions of union labor in the United States of America to write a few lines to their two United States Senators and to their Representatives in Washington, D. C. and ask them to vote and work for this Government health bill, the Forand bill. It takes many millions of letters to get action from our United States Senators and Representatives. Please do your part in this very vital and very badly needed right now Government Health and Hospital Bill.

A front outfit

A front outfit called "California Associates, Inc." has set itself the task of knocking off eight liberal members of the state legislature in this year's elections. It has set a budget of \$250,000 for this purpose, including some \$100,000 to be dished out to right-wing candidates, approximately \$80,000 for "over-all campaign direction," and roughly \$70,000 for "district administrative expenses."

When a single group of conservatives spends a quarter of a million dollars in trying to defeat a few liberals for a state legislature, one gets an inkling of an idea of what faces trade unionists in their efforts to elect progressive, forward-looking legislators. — COPE.

World language

"I have an idea that in two or three hundred years English will be the universal language, spoken all over the world.

Of course it won't be the English we speak now; it will probably be even more strange than the language of Chaucer is to us now, but it will be founded on the language of today." — W. Somerset Maugham.

OPINIONS

You Write 'Em . . .
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STATE CHAMBER'S OPPOSITION TO 160-ACRE CLAUSE

Editor, Labor Journal:

The California State Chamber of Commerce is opposed to the \$1,750,000,000 Water Bond issue including legislation to establish the 160-acre limitation because they say it is Socialism.

Free enterprise means equal opportunity to all. I wonder by what stretch of the imagination they can say the 160-acre farmer has an equal opportunity with such outfits as the Standard Oil of California, Southern Pacific Railroad, Los Angeles Times, and the Kern County Land Company, who will because of their large land holdings benefit more than any one else from the State Water Plan.

It is not surprising that this "Silk Stocking Outfit," should be opposed to real Americanism and our free enterprise system, and support the factory farmers and the National Farm Bureau, in their efforts to bring about a "Capitalistic State."

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PRICE OF DRUGS

"Undoubtedly some people find it difficult to pay for needed medication. They will also have difficulty in meeting their rent and food bills as well. It seems to me that this problem must be viewed in its true light—it is a matter of inadequate income rather than excessive prices."—Francis C. Brown, president of Schering Corp. before the Kefauver Committee investigating exorbitant prices of medicines.

TAKE A HAND!

I am asking every union member to take a direct hand in helping to organize the unorganized. If the man or woman who works next to you doesn't belong to the union, it is to your advantage to see that he does. If someone you know works in a shop or a plant that has no union, it is to your advantage this year to help introduce that person to the proper union. — Machinist President Al Hayes.

LIFE, DEATH MATTER

"Foreign policy is not an obscure art for a few specialists. It is of importance to all of us. . . . This is an era in which, with startling suddenness, science and technology have so compressed the world that the question of America's relations with other nations has become a matter of life and death for all Americans." — Christian A. Herter, Secretary of State.

FIND A DOG!

Mort Sahl, the night club comic, came up with the quote of the week: "If Charles Van Doren had any brains he'd find himself a dog and run for vice president. We're a forgiving nation—Sacramento Labor Bulletin.

END TO END

I've been told there are 8,000,000 cars in Los Angeles. In fact, if all the cars in Los Angeles were laid end to end, some jerk would pull out of line and try to pass them.—Jack Carter in Parade.

WOLVES WORRIED

The world situation is so mixed up because the wolves continue to ask for guarantees against attacks by the lambs. — Celal Nasri in Weltwoche, Zurich.